



Knit Towel Topper

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You Will Need:

Size 7 Needles (U.S. Size)
Small amount of medium weight yarn (size 4)
Crochet hook for picking up beginning stitches (I use Size F Hook)
Button (if making the version to hang over a bar of handle)

Stitches Used: P = Purl K = Knit

To begin, fold your dish towel in half. Along the top folded edge you will pick up 42 stitches, through both layers of the towel. (You do not have to try to pick up stitches at the very edges of the towel in the edge binding as it is usually too hard to poke through that part of the material.)

To do this, begin at the right edge of the towel, and poke your crochet hook through both layers of the material, from front to back. Pull the yarn through to the front, making a loop. Then pull the yarn through that loop one more time, as if to single crochet. Transfer that loop to your knitting needle. Proceed this way across the towel, from right to left, until you have 42 stitches on your needle.

Row 1: P

(All odd numbered rows will be Purl rows until ribbing begins)

Row 2: K

Row 4: K

Row 6: *K 5, K 2 tog, Repeat from * across row (36 sts)

Row 8: *K 4, K 2 tog, Repeat from * across row (30 sts)

Row 10: *K3, K 2 tog, Repeat from * across row (24 sts)

Row 12: *K2, K 2 tog, Repeat from * across row (18 sts)

Row 14: *K1, K 2 tog, Repeat from * across row (12 sts)

Row 16: K 2 tog, K 3, K 2 tog, K 3, K 2 tog (9 sts)

Begin Ribbing:

Row 18: K 1, P 1 across row

Row 19: P 1, K 1 across row

Repeat these two rows until ribbing measure 3 inches. End on a wrong side row.

Next Row: K 1, P1, K1, Bind off 3 sts, Finish last stitches in row in ribbing

Next Row: P1, K1, P1, cast on 3 sts, P1, K1, P1 (buttonhole made)

Work 2 more rows in ribbing pattern, ending wrong side

Next Row: K 2 tog, rib 5, K 2 tog (7 sts)

Next Row: K 2 tog, rib 3, K 2 tog (5 sts)

Next Row: K 2 tog, K, K 2 tog (3 sts)

Bind off remaining 3 sts

To make a shorter version with a buttonhole to put over a drawer knob:

After Row 19, do not knit the ribbing for 3 inches. Instead, just proceed with the pattern instructions to work the buttonhole and continue on to finish the pattern.